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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING November 11, 2012

NEW MEXICO: Alfalfa conditions were mostly good; sixth cutting 93% complete; seventh cutting 75% complete. Cotton conditions were mostly fair to poor; 52% harvested. Corn conditions were mostly good to fair; 91% grain harvested; Sorghum conditions were mostly poor to very poor; 100% mature; 63% harvested. Winter wheat conditions mostly poor to fair; 95% emerged; 18% grazed. Peanut 74% harvested. Lettuce 87% harvested. Chile conditions were mostly fair to good; 65% harvested red. Pecan conditions were mostly excellent to good. Cattle conditions were mostly poor to very poor. Sheep conditions were mostly poor. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.9. Topsoil moisture was 65% very short, 28% short and 7% adequate. Wind damage was 19% light, 5% moderate and 3% severe. No hail damage was reported this week.

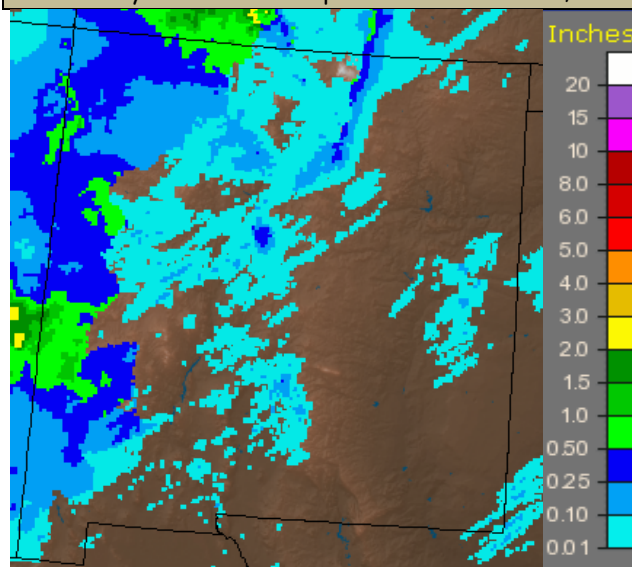
CROP PROGRESS
PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	6th Cut	93	92	100	91
Alfalfa	7th Cut	75	60	87	49
Chile	Hvst Red	65	50	74	78
Corn	Grn Hvst	91	75	96	89
Cotton	Hvstd	52	41	50	54
Lettuce	Hvstd	87	60	94	74
Peanut	Hvstd	74	57	56	81
Sorghum	Mature	100	69	89	84
Sorghum	Harvested	63	32	40	52
W Wheat	Emerged	95	88	96	98

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	4	10	27	50	9
Chile	-	-	38	37	25
Corn	1	5	47	47	-
Cotton	5	24	35	22	14
Pecan	-	1	25	25	49
Sorghum	31	38	30	1	-
Winter Wheat	12	36	34	18	-
Cattle	33	45	21	1	-
Sheep	20	59	16	5	-

Seven Day Observed Precipitation November 13, 2012



Additional Comments: Colfax: Did the grass survey this week and averaged about 100 lbs per acre across the whole county; not good. Luna/Grant: Some areas have seen a little improvement in pasture, but most areas have been more dry and getting drier. These conditions will prevent adequate pasture growth to sustain livestock.

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

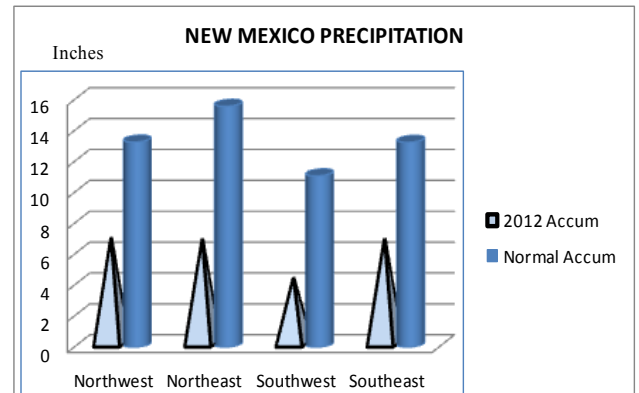
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	77	23	-	-
Northeast	78	22	-	-
Southwest	70	30	-	-
Southeast	48	35	17	-
State Current	65	28	7	-
State-Last Week	63	35	2	-
State-Last Year	42	44	14	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	27	44	29	-

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RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	24	40	36	-	-
Northeast	79	21	-	-	-
Southwest	45	28	27	-	-
Southeast	77	18	5	-	-
State Current	68	23	9	-	-
State-Last Week	62	27	11	-	-
State-Last Year	56	26	14	4	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	16	23	35	23	3



Weather Summary

The week started off with 3 to 11 degree above average temperatures in certain locations. As the weekend approached a pacific low from the west brought much colder temperatures and precipitation with snow showers in higher elevations across portions of the state.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - November 5 - November 11, 2012								
Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 5 Nov - 11 Nov	Month 01 Nov- 11 Nov	Accum. 01 Jan-11 Nov	Normal Nov	Normal Jan-Nov
Northwest								
Albuquerque	50.6	73	29	0.05	0.05	5.78	0.43	8.38
Chama	35.1	67	2	0.70	0.70	13.52	1.72	19.81
Farmington	46.1	69	23	0.43	0.43	2.87	0.94	8.12
Gallup	40.7	71	12	0.37	0.37	5.73	0.95	11.91
Grants	44.0	75	17	0.19	0.19	6.65	0.58	10.14
Johnson Ranch	42.9	69	15	0.15	0.15	1.46	0.69	10.85
Los Alamos	45.0	65	21	0.12	0.12	6.87	1.02	17.64
Red River	35.1	61	12	0.87	0.87	13.89	1.18	19.33
Santa Fe	42.1	68	16	0.10	0.10	5.36	0.63	13.21
Northeast								
Capulin	45.5	76	8	0.01	0.01	9.94	0.67	16.94
Clayton	54.0	76	22	-	-	6.86	0.52	14.80
Clovis	56.5	80	32	0.01	0.01	3.63	0.73	16.97
Las Vegas	46.6	76	17	0.03	0.03	7.27	0.58	18.36
Moriarty	43.0	73	15	0.06	0.06	9.23	0.40	12.17
Raton	44.4	74	12	0.01	0.01	8.65	0.61	16.22
Roy	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	4.58	0.50	15.29
Tucumcari	58.1	82	34	0.00	0.00	4.42	0.51	13.90
Southwest								
Animas	57.8	82	30	0.00	0.00	5.83	0.71	10.62
Deming	56.3	81	35	-	-	3.44	0.64	9.73
Gran Quivira	49.2	73	24	0.00	-	4.56	0.91	14.92
Quemado	42.4	69	13	0.11	0.11	7.82	0.45	13.04
Socorro	54.7	76	33	0.00	0.00	1.70	0.47	8.95
T or C	56.3	79	31	-	-	2.45	0.60	9.22
Southeast								
Alamogordo	57.5	80	36	0.01	0.01	1.89	0.71	11.92
Carlsbad	59.9	84	37	0.00	0.00	10.29	0.59	12.38
Carrizozo	53.5	76	30	0.11	0.11	4.27	0.76	12.07
Las Cruces	58.4	81	39	0.00	0.00	5.23	0.53	8.72
Roswell	56.3	85	34	0.00	0.00	6.98	0.55	12.38
Ruidoso	47.8	71	26	0.13	0.13	10.59	0.88	19.72
Tatum	57.8	83	38	0.00	0.01	8.61	0.55	15.57

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official.